



Helping to serve breakfast is, from left, Guy Martin, Sauder's Eggs; Andy Bradford, Wengers Feed Mill; Phil Good, Tyson Foods; Matt Molnar, Farmers Pride; and Amy Bradford, PennAg Industries Association.

Poultry Association Lends A Hand To Area Shelter

LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.) — The Lancaster County Poultry Association continued an annual tradition of serving breakfast at the Water Street Rescue Mission recently.

The team of members lead by Andy Bradford, president, served breakfast to clients of the shelter on Saturday, Feb. 15.

This annual event is tied to Pennsylvania's Ag Producers

Banquet, as a certificate representing one breakfast served to a mission client is presented at the banquet.

The Poultry Association is committed to community service, and is supported by area producers in some of the products served at the breakfast. For information about the association, call (717) 394-6851.

American Egg Board Members Appointed

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman has appointed nine members and nine alternates to the American Egg Board for the 2003-2004 term. All members and alternates will serve 2-year terms. The board administers an egg research and promotion program authorized by the Egg Research and Consumer Information Act of 1974.

"I am pleased these individuals have agreed to serve," said Veneman. "They bring a great deal of knowledge and experience to the American Egg Board."

The board is composed of 18 members and 18 alternates representing six regions. The Secretary of Agriculture selects appointees from egg producers nominated by organizations representing the egg industry.

Reappointed members and alternates, by region, are:

North Atlantic states — Ronald E. Kreider, Manheim, Pa., member; Paul D. Sauder, Lititz, Pa., alternate; Julia A. Lough, East Winthrop, Maine, member; Joseph H. Fortin, Lebanon, Conn., alternate.

South Atlantic states — Michael H. Bynum, Dover, Fla., member; David L. Lathem, Pendergrass, Ga., alternate.

East North Central states — Thomas E. Hertzfeld I, Waterville, Ohio, member; Ruth A. Hendrix, Seymour, Ind., member; Brian S. Hayward, Warsaw, Ind., alternate.

West North Central states — Alfred J. Schimpf, Whitewater, Wis., member; Bruce L. Dooyema, Sioux Center, Iowa, alternate; Blair J. Van Zetten, Oskaloosa, Iowa, member.

South Central states — Rodney H. Bobo, Hope, Ark., member; Jerry E. Wells, Joplin, Mo., alternate.

Western states — Dianna L. Stiebers, Yelm, Wash., member;

Gordon D. Satrum, Canby, Ore., alternate.

Newly appointed alternates, by region, are: East North Central states — Kurt F. Lausecker, West Mansfield, Ohio, alternate. West North Central states — Loren E. Asche, Lake Mills, Wis., alternate.

Membership terms on the board are staggered so that half of the membership is appointed each year in order to provide continuity in policy.

The program is funded entirely by a ten-cent per 30-dozen case assessment on eggs marketed by producers with flocks of over 75,000 hens. USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service, an agency of the marketing and regulatory programs mission area, monitors operations of the board.

Turkeys Raised In Pennsylvania 4 Percent Higher In 2002

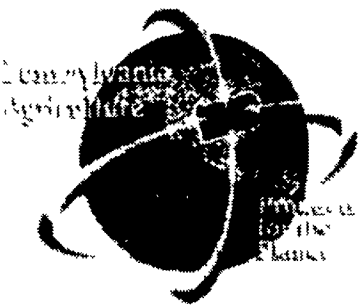
HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Commonwealth producers raised 9.9 million turkeys in 2002, up 4 percent from the 9.5 million raised in 2001, according to the Pennsylvania Agricultural Statistics Service (PASS).

Turkeys raised in the United States during 2002 totaled 272 million birds, up fractionally from 272 million turkeys raised during 2001.

North Carolina ranked first in the number raised with 45.5 million, followed by Minnesota with 44.0 million, Arkansas with 29.5 million, Missouri with 25.5 million, Virginia with 20.0 million, California with 17.7 million, and Indiana with 13.0 million. These states accounted for 72 percent of the turkeys produced in the United States during 2002.

Producers in Pennsylvania reported intentions to be 9.9 million turkeys during 2003, which would be held constant with the 9.9 million turkeys raised in 2002. Turkey growers in the 23 States, which produced 99 percent of the turkeys raised in 2002, intend to decrease the number of birds raised in 2003 by 2 percent.

Intentions for the top seven producing States compared with 2002 are as follows: Minnesota up 2 percent, North Carolina down 3 percent, Arkansas down 2 percent, Missouri down 2 percent, Virginia down 5 percent, California down 10 percent, and Indiana unchanged.



Pennsylvania Crop Insurance Program

The PA Crop Insurance Assistance Program has been extended for crop year 2003.

Crop insurance premiums have just been discounted up to an additional 50%.

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FREE "CAT" Coverage

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Enrollment Deadline:

March 15 - Spring Planted Crops

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Secretary of Agriculture



Pennsylvania encourages growers to have crop insurance protection as part of their farming risk management plan. All policy fees and approximately 20 percent of net premium costs are paid for growers.

Sponsored by the PA Department of Agriculture with cost share support from RMA/USDA.

Remain Flexible with Your Attack on Broadleaf Weeds

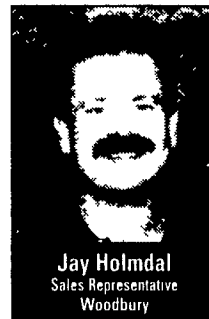
There are many factors that come into play each spring that affect how and when you apply your broadleaf herbicide. Weather can close the application window altogether while tillage practices, crop rotational restrictions or local use restrictions can severely limit the use of a herbicide.

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Hornet WDG controls large-seeded broadleaf weeds, including common and giant ragweed, velvetleaf, cocklebur and sunflower. And when Hornet WDG is used in a soil-applied tank mix with either Surpass[®] TopNotch[®], FulTime[®] or new Keystone[®] or Keystone LA grass herbicides, you get a superior broad-spectrum weed control program.

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